

STRIKE MAY BE OF NATIONAL NOTE

Philadelphia Labor Leader Says General Strike Inevitable

Police Arrest Union President on the Charge of Inciting a Riot, After He Declared the Strikers Could Shoot.

Officials of Street Railways Declare That the Strike is a Thing of the Past ---Unions Deny Being Whipped

By Associated Press.
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 25.—Following the publication of a statement alleged to have been made today by John J. Murphy, president of the Central Labor Union, a warrant was issued for his arrest. It was said that Murphy had declared "A general strike would be called immediately and I think it is inevitable. There are men in the northeast who can shoot as straight as any trooper that ever drew breath."

The labor leader is charged with inciting a riot. The remarks on which the warrant for Murphy's arrest are based are said to have been made by him following the announcement at a special meeting of the board of directors of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company that the request for arbitration as submitted by a committee of prominent clergymen was declined.

Except in West Philadelphia, all the Southern section of the city continued running cars after dark tonight. Three cars were held up on the East End drawbridge over the Schuylkill river. A crowd of men and boys showered bricks and stones at the motormen, conductors and policemen guarding the cars. Fifty additional policemen arrived

shortly after the crowd dispersed, leaving the cars badly wrecked. Director of Public Safety Clay said tonight that the strike was "merely a memory." He issued orders forbidding the use of wagons hauling to and from work the people who didn't care to take a chance riding on the cars. At a meeting of the board of directors of the company it was decided that any striker whose previous record was good, would be taken back by the company, providing he applied for a position before March 1.

Organizer Pratt, of the carmen, who has been opposing this plan, said tonight: "A general strike will be positively declared unless the company comes to terms. We are prepared to fight for weeks or months. We are not whipped and the company will have to treat with us."

President Greenwalt of the Pennsylvania State Federation said: "The street car strike has ceased to become a local issue. It is now national. The state and American Federation of Labor will stand by us and give whatever support is deemed necessary. The strike will be won." A meeting of the Central Labor Union will take place Sunday to discuss the action for a general sympathetic strike.

CHARGE WIFE WITH MURDER OF HER HUSBAND

By Associated Press.
KIRKSVILLE, Mo., Feb. 25.—Prosecuting Attorney Reiger announced tonight there was a warrant charging Mrs. Alma Vaughn with murdering her husband, Professor J. T. Vaughn, had been sworn out, and is in the hands of Sheriff Williams. Under an agreement with her attorneys the warrant will not be served until tomorrow.

Professor Vaughn died last October from strychnine poisoning. A warrant issued following the dismissal of the special grand jury called to investigate Vaughn's death for Dr. J. R. Hull, a Monroe City physician, who was arrested Thursday on the charge of murdering Vaughn, is out under \$7,700 bonds.

BRIBE OFFERED TO PROSECUTOR

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—An attempt has been made to bribe Prosecutor Garven of Hudson county, N. J., to drop the prosecution of meat packers, according to a statement made today by an official of Mr. Garven's office.

The allegation is that two men from Chicago had approached an acquaintance of Mr. Garven's and indirectly suggested that the prosecutor could retire a rich man if he would drop the prosecution of the packers.

The official declined to give the name of Mr. Garven's friend who was approached.

MISSING BOAT SIGHTED.

By Associated Press.
LONDON, Feb. 25.—Lloyds last night reported that a ship answering the description of the Britisher Claverdon, was sighted 100 miles eastward of the Tyne, apparently all right.

A dispatch from Portland, Ore., late night gave an untraceable rumor that the Claverdon had been lost while en route from Antwerp to Newcastle on Tyne.

CONGRESSMAN MAKES ATTACK ON TARIFF LAW

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Representative Claud Kitchin of North Carolina made a general assault on the tariff law under license for a general debate on the postoffice appropriation bill in the house today. Telling a number of stories of starving children, and workmen appealing for work in large cities, Kitchin concluded each tale with the statement, and all this under the Aldrich-Payne bill, which on one on the republican side has the courage to defend." Kitchin declared the bill was well named the "Aldrich-Payne bill, a blessing to all the rich and pain to the hungry people of the country."

DR. BURKE IS INDICTED BY THE GRAND JURY

By Associated Press.
SANTA ROSA, Feb. 25.—Two indictments, one charging him with the attempted murder by means of dynamite or some other explosive, and the other with abortion, were returned against Dr. William P. Burke, as a result of a three day's investigation of the grand jury of Sonoma county into the circumstances surrounding the dynamiting of the tent house occupied by Lucella Smith and her eleven months old baby on February 5. Superior Judge Sewell, before whom the indictments were returned, immediately issued warrants which were served upon Burke tonight. The bail was fixed at \$25,000 which was furnished.

Beef Packers Are Indicted in New Jersey

Grand Jury Finds True Bills Against the so Called Trust for Conspiring to Limiting Meat Supply.

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The beef trust of the United States, embracing six great companies, and twenty-one packers, several of them multi-millionaires, were indicted by the grand jury of Hudson county, N. J., today and charged with a conspiracy in limiting the supply of meat and poultry. The indictment was drawn under the law of New Jersey, which provides upon a conviction the maximum penalty of three years in the penitentiary, a \$1,000 fine or both. The offense is extraditable, which means practically that the meat barons either must successfully resist extradition or come to New Jersey for trial.

Prosecutor Garven said tonight

Mexico for several weeks' rest," said Nelson to the Gazette man. "After that I may come back here to Nevada and lay off in the mountains for a while." When asked to explain his utter defeat and the fact that the recent fight was so one-sided, Nelson simply replied in a disheartening way, "evident to those who were present, that after a few rounds he took things slower. He appeared to have no satisfactory explanation of his defeat, but exhibited the effects of Wolgast's work on his stomach, while his closed left eye, swollen left cheek, and difficulty to hear what was said to him, told the story of his condition, even two days after the contest. Nelson will in all probability go to Reno later and spend some time on Dunn's ranch about 160 miles north in the mountains with Jim May.

May declares that Nelson did not fight at all and seemed groggy or doped the night preceding the fight and all that day up to the ringing of the gong. May was with Nelson all that night, ate breakfast with him and continued his constant companion and declares that he never saw Nelson act as he did but cannot explain it any more than Nelson himself could when asked to explain.

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he would notify the defendants of their indictments and would be ready to force extradition in each case where an individual concerned was unwilling to face trial. The corporations named in the indictments are: National Packing, Armour, Swift, Morris, Hammond Packing, and G. H. Hammond and company. The indictment, which bristles in its arraignment of the men named, also refers to "divers others," as being responsible. These latter, however, are not specified. The indictment of the corporations and their officers brings to a climax the first concerted effort in the east to fix the responsibility for the prevailing high price of food through the medium of cold storage.

SEEK AID OF CHARITIES TO ESCAPE FROM COLD

By Associated Press.
CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Gauged by number of poor who have applied for assistance at the twelve stations of the United Societies of Charity of Chicago, this has been the severest winter in several decades.

Superintendent Kingsley of the United Charities, said: "Into the dozen relief headquarters of the United Charities, thousands of victims of the cold have been flocking, and yesterday's renewal of the frigid weather, when it went to 6 below zero, indicated the endurance of Chicago's poor was near the snapping point."

STOCK EXCHANGE ORDERS BROKER'S SEAT SOLD

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Formal announcement was made from the rostrum of the New York stock exchange today of the ineligibility for re-instatement of Clifford M. Washburn, board member of the firm of J. M. Fiske and company, and his seat was ordered sold forthwith. The governors of the exchange yesterday adjudged Washburn guilty of "reckless and unbusinesslike dealings" for his firm's connection with the Hocking Coal pools.

Special Agent Springs Sensation in Investigation

Glavis is Assisting Claimant to Secure Timber Lands in Washington and was to Share the Profits.

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—A charge by Horace Jones, special agent of the land office, that James M. Sheridan was sent by the authorities at Washington to take charge of the hearings of the Cunningham coal cases, practically threw the government's case away by giving counsel for the claimants an opportunity to examine all the evidence collected by the special agents working under Glavis, furnished the sensation today in the Ballinger-Pinchot inquiry. Jones made a bitter attack upon the incompetency of Sheridan, who replaced Glavis, in charge of the cases, and declared that, although Glavis was no lawyer, he knew more law than did Sheridan. Asked

why he failed to protest to Washington regarding the alleged incompetent presentation of the case, Jones replied scornfully that he might have been deemed "insubordinate." Aside from Jones, the interest centered in W. W. Barr, a timber dealer, who was brought from Seattle to testify for Glavis in refutation of the charge that twenty-four of the missing letters from government files had been found in a box belonging to Glavis, stored in the government building at Seattle. It was brought out by cross examination that Glavis was assisting Barr to get possession of some timber land claimed by the state of Washington, but to which Barr says the state had no right. Glavis is to share equally in the profits.

FIRST STEPS ON A CONSOLIDATION

Another step was taken yesterday in the proposed merger of the Sandstorm and Kendall Mining companies, when the John S. Cook & company bank filed two friendly suits in the district court for the purpose of foreclosing on the property of the companies so that the consolidation can be effected. The claim against the Kendall-Goldfield company is for \$44,201.62, principal and interest on money advanced by the bank, and the Sandstorm account is \$9,180. Both claims are attested by promissory notes made by officers of the companies.

When judgment has been secured, the properties will be bid in by the bank and then deeded to a corporation to be known as the Sandstorm-Kendall Consolidated Mines company. The Sandstorm was the first producer in the Goldfield district and is accredited with several hundred thousand dollars output, while the Kendall also produced considerable ore in the early days. The consolidation and financing of these properties presages the opening of another era of production.

WILL SPEND MILLION FOR PARDON OF MORSE

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Personal friends of Charles W. Morse, the convicted banker, are prepared to spend more than \$1,000,000 in working for his release from the federal prison in Atlanta. John E. Donahue, of Rockland, Me., who has charge of the petition for a pardon, which will be presented to President Taft, made this announcement on his return from Washington today.

The petition will, it is expected, contain more than a million names when submitted.

INCREASED PAY DEMANDED.

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Demands for increased pay have been presented by the engineers, firemen and telegraphers of the Delaware and Hudson company. The demands, it was learned today, range from 5 per cent to 70 per cent, but the average increase approximates 20 per cent.

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HANDCUFF KING INJURED IN FIGHT WITH A POSSE

By Associated Press.
HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Feb. 25.—A. Conlin, alias H. S. Daniels, sometimes known as "Astro, the handcuff King," who, with sixteen other prisoners, broke jail here on the night of the 22nd, was captured today. Before he was taken by the posse, near Oklokon, in Clark county, Conlin was shot, but the extent of his injury is unknown. Conlin is wanted in San Francisco on a charge of grand larceny.

TO BE TRIED IN CARSON.

By Associated Press.
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26.—Failing to produce appeal bonds, Walter Saling, held to answer on a charge of forging government reclamation service checks, was ordered today to Carson City, Nevada, for trial before the United States district court there.

BOY BURNED TO DEATH.

By Associated Press.
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 25.—Robert, Beebe, 5 years old, was burned to death as a result of his clothing igniting from newspapers, which flamed up as he was trying to put them into the door of a stove.

ELECTED FOR SIXTH TERM.

By Associated Press.
CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—The National Association of Cement Users, in convention here, elected Richard L. Humphrey, of Philadelphia, president, for the sixth time.

EGG-LAYING CONTEST PLANNED FOR HENS

MEXICO Mo., Feb. 25.—More than 1,000 hens from the United States and Europe will contest in an egg-laying meet here next fall, if the plans of T. E. Quisenberry, secretary of the Missouri State Poultry board are successfully carried out.

The competition will be held at the poultry experiment station, which will be built here and conducted under the supervision of the United States department of agriculture, and managed by the Missouri poultry board. The station will accommodate 6,000 hens.

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